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October 26, 2015

TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H.

Interim Director

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACCEPT AN ANTICIPATED GRANT AWARD

This is to provide your Board with information regarding an anticipated award from the Public Health Institute Center for Climate Change and Health in the amount of \$30,000 to support the Climate Change and Public Health Learning Collaborative for Urban Health Departments award for the period of January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

The anticipated award will provide funding to support the implementation of the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Climate and Health Initiative. The Climate and Health Initiative will help establish an interdepartmental workgroup that will identify goals to help reduce the health impacts of extreme heat, worsening air quality, frequent and severe wildfires, and other public health challenges posed by climate change. The workgroup will prioritize these goals and work towards developing action plans to effectively meet each goal. One major focus of the Climate and Health Initiative will be to identify priorities for improving DPH's preparedness and response to extreme heat events.

The anticipated funds will support the implementation activities related to the Climate and Health Initiative, including hiring a consultant to assist with planning, development coordination, and implemention of the initiative.

If funding is awarded, I will notify your Board that I am exercising the delegated authority approved on July 28, 2015 to accept grants and awards in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 per grant award, budget period, or annual term.

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Attachment A is the Notification of Anticipated Grant Award Summary, which provides additional information about the grant award.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer Interim County Counsel Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors



County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health Notification of Grant & Award Acceptance Summary

| OVERVIEW | |
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| Program Name: | Environmental Health |
| Funding Agency Name: | Public Health Institute Center for Climate Change and Health |
| Funding Source Type: | Foundational |
| Project Name: | Climate and Health Initiative |
| Funding Opportunity Number: | N/A |
| Is this an amendment to a grant/award? | Yes V No |
| If "Yes," what type of amendment? | |
| Project Description: | |
| The purpose of this project is to support a new Climate Change and Health Initiative by meeting with division directors to discuss activities related to climate change, launch an interdepartmental work group that identifies actions to support the Department of Public Health's (DPH) climate change goals, develop plans to meet those goals, and conduct a pilot project to improve DPH's response to extreme heat. The grant supports Priority Area 3 of the Los Angeles County Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) which centers on creating equitable social environments that promote health. | |
| DPH divisions will be asked to explore how their activities currently relate to climate change and how they may further work to support DPH's Five Point Plan to Reduce the Health Impacts of Climate Change. One of the specific goals of the initiative is to improve DPH's preparedness and response to extreme heat through an Extreme Heat Pilot Project that will utilize community input to develop an improved extreme heat plan. In order to implement the Extreme Heat Pilot Project, DPH will expand its work to include departments such as the Sheriff's Department (which operates the reverse 911 system), Public Social Services, Community and Senior Services, the Public Library (which operate cooling centers), and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) to coordinate transport to the cooling centers. | |
| DATES | |
| Grant/Award Acceptance Deadline: | December 15, 2015 |
| Grant/Award Term: | 18 months |
| Grant/Award Start Date: | January 1, 2016 |
| Grant/Award End Date: | June 30, 2017 |
| | BUDGET |
| Grant/Award Funding Amount: | \$30,000 |
| Monetary Matching Requirements: | 0 |
| In-Kind Costs: | 0 |
| Total Funding for Grant/Award Project: | \$30,000 |
| SIGNATURE | |
| Cynthia A. Harding, MPH | De Stytester for CAH 10/16/15 |
| Interim Director | Signature / Date |